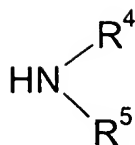


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a<sup>5</sup>



(VIII)

wherein R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> are as defined in claim 1.

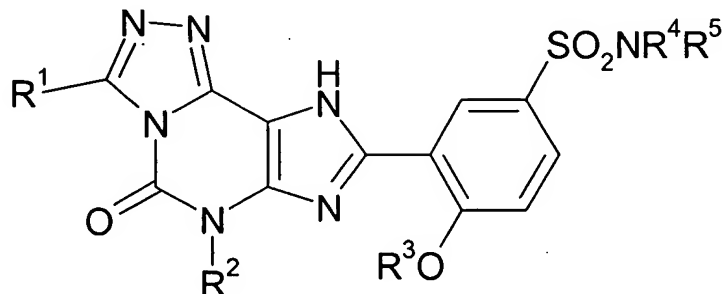
a<sup>6</sup>

20. (Amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising as an active ingredient, at least one compound as defined in claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

**In the Abstract:**

*Please replace the abstract with the following*

8-phenyl-6,9-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[3,4-i]purin-5-one derivatives of formula (I):



(I)

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof; process for their preparation, pharmaceutical compositions containing them and their use as PDE 5 inhibitors.